Increase in price of Vitamin 'A'

2015. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 645 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th February, 1988 and state:

(a) whether the producers have submitted the break-up for price increase of more than 100 per cent before increasing the price of Vitamin A;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for such a high increase in the price and whether Government have examined the break-up;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) whether it is a fact that Vitamin A is mainly used for the control of blindness which is covered under the National Health Programme?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Reasons for price increase vary. The companies have now agreed to reduce the price on Government intervention.

(d) Vitamin 'A' has not been included in Category-I of Drugs (Prices) Control Order, 1987 as the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare who was asked to identify and recommended the list of drugs to be included in Category-I, had not recommended the same.

Increase in price of ferosolate, etc.

2016. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 573 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th February, 1988 and state:

(a) the justification of price increase by more than 100 per cent in case of Ferosolate, Dilosyn and Kapilin Injection;

(b) what is the name of drug on which each formulation is based;

(c) whether his Ministry has examined the break-up of increase of price of each of these formulations; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a), (c) and (d) As per provisions of DPCO, 1987, the manufacturers of non-scheduled formulations are free to revise the prices of their products.

(b) The required details, to the extent available, are given below:

Sl.No.	Name of the Product	Composition
1	Fersolate	Dried Ferrous Sulphate + Copper Sulphate + Mangenese Sulphate
2	Dilosyn Tablets Dilosyn Ext.	Methdilazine + Ammoniumcyhloride + Sodiumcitrate + Menthol
3	Kapilin Inj. . . .	Menaphthone Sodium Bisulphite

Price of Beflavin Tablets

2017. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 637 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th February, 1988 and state:

(a) what is the justification for price increase of 147 per cent in case of Beflavin Tablets, 166 per cent in case of Benacon Tabs., 151 per cent in case of Arovit drops, 193 per cent in case of Audit Injection, 135 per cent in case of Arovit Tabs, and 109 per cent in case of Cynocobalamine;